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In re Patent No. 6,079,668 :  
Issue Date: June 27, 2000 :  
Application No. 09/007,616 : **DECISION ON REQUEST FOR REFUND**  
Filed: January 15, 1998 :  
Attorney Docket No. 16375.000001/US :

This is a decision on the Request For Refund filed September 19, 2012.

The request is **GRANTED**.

Applicant files the above request for refund and states that "Applicant hereby requests a refund of \$2,125.00 (\$1,425 maintenance fee and \$700 surcharge) for the payment of the 7.5 year maintenance fee. On May 18, 2012, Applicant filed a Petition to Accept Unavoidably Delayed Payment of Maintenance Fee in an Expired Patent. On July 25, 2012, the Petition was dismissed by the U.S. Patent Office ... . Therefore, Applicant requests a refund to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 in the amount of \$2,125."

In view of the above, a total of \$2,125.00 is being credited to petitioner's deposit account as requested.

Any questions concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3208.

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